Patent Application No. 09/644,676 Attorney Docket No. 15603US01

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PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 26, 2003, the initial period for response to which expired December 26, 2003. By this extension, the period for response now runs to March 26, 2004.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) is believed to be \$475.00 for a three (3) month extension for a small entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd., Account No. 13-0017.

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Respectfully submitted,

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